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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION

In response to the final Office Action mailed 08/09/2006, as extended by the accompanying petition for a three-month extension, kindly amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

An Appendix including an amended drawing figure follows page 10 of this paper.